[CHAPTER 289]

### AN ACT

To amend section 1223 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

July 15, 1939 [S. 2539] [Public, No. 184]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1223 of the Revised Statutes of the United States be amended by adding at the end thereof the following proviso: "Provided, however, That the foregoing provision shall not apply to any officer of the Army on the retired list."

Army officers on retired list, appointments in Foreign Service. 10 U.S.C. § 577.

Approved, July 15, 1939.

# [CHAPTER 290]

### JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the Act to authorize alterations and repairs to certain naval vessels, and for other purposes, approved April 20, 1939.

July 15, 1939 [S. J. Res. 126] [Pub. Res., No. 28]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act to authorize alterations and repairs to certain naval vessels, and for other purposes, approved April 20, 1939 (Public, Numbered 37, Seventy-sixth Congress), be, and the same is hereby, amended by striking out in the proviso the figures "\$5,000,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$5,500,000", so as to make the proviso read: "Provided, That the total cost of such alterations and repairs shall not exceed \$5,500,000." Approved, July 15, 1939.

Navy.
Alterations, etc., of certain vessels, cost limitation modified.

Ante, p. 582.

## [CHAPTER 291]

#### JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the President of the United States of America to proclaim October 11, 1939, General Pulaski's Memorial Day for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski.

July 15, 1939 [H. J. Res. 133] [Pub. Res., No. 29]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States of America is authorized to issue a proclamation calling upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all governmental buildings on October 11, 1939, and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies in commemoration of the death of General Casimir Pulaski.

General Pulaski's Memorial Day. President authorized to invite observance.

Approved, July 15, 1939.

## [CHAPTER 313]

#### AN ACT

To provide that the annual registration of motor vehicles and the annual licensing of certain public vehicles in the District of Columbia shall be for the period from April 1 in each year to March 31 in the succeeding year.

July 17, 1939 [S. 1575] [Public, No. 185]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (c) of section 2 of title IV of the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

District of Columbia. Motor vehicles. 52 Stat. 359.

"(c) Every registration made under this title shall expire at midnight on the last day of the registration year for which the registration was made, unless the time be extended by the Commissioners. Any such registration may be renewed for the ensuing registration year upon application made by the owner during the months of February and March, and upon payment of the fees required by law. During the month of March it shall be lawful to operate a motor vehicle

Registration, expiration date.

Renewals.

Beginning of registration year.

Proviso.
Extension of period ending February 29, 1940.

Registration application received after October 1; fee. 52 Stat. 360.

Public vehicles, fees. Ante, p. 570.

47 Stat. 555. 20 D. C. Code, Supp. IV, § 1731(c), (d); 1733.

Vehicles of eight passenger, etc., capacity.

Display of license.

Date of licenses.

Proviso.
Expiration provision; fee.

Other passenger vehicles.

Public stands.

46 Stat. 1426. 6 D. C. Code, Supp. IV, § 243 (e). Police regulations.

Date of licenses.

Proviso.
Expiration provision; fee.

Vehicles for hire used in hauling goods, etc.

Ante, p. 570. Stands.

46 Stat. 1426. 6 D. C. Code, Supp. IV, § 243 (e). Date of licenses.

Expiration provision; fee.

Act repealed.

registered for the ensuing registration year. For the purposes of this title, a registration year shall be deemed to begin on April 1 and end on March 31: *Provided*, That motor vehicles that may have been registered for the period ending February 29, 1940, shall be deemed to be registered for the registration year ending March 31, 1940."

Sec. 2. Paragraph (c) of section 3 of such title, as amended, is amended by striking out "September" and inserting in lieu thereof "October."

SEC. 3. That subparagraphs (c) and (d) of paragraph 31 and paragraph 33 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend section 7 of an Act entitled 'An Act making appropriations to provide for the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, and for other purposes', approved July 1, 1902, and for other purposes", approved July 1, 1932, are amended to read as follows:

"(c) Owners of passenger vehicles for hire having a seating capacity of eight passengers or more, in addition to the driver or operator, other than those licensed in the preceding subparagraph, shall pay a license tax of \$100 per annum for each vehicle used. No such vehicle shall be operated unless there shall be conspicuously displayed therein a license issued under the terms of this subparagraph. Licenses issued under this subparagraph shall date from April 1 of each year, but may be issued on or after March 15 of such year: Provided, however, That all licenses issued for a period prior to April 1, 1940, shall expire on March 31, 1940, and the license fee therefor

shall be prorated accordingly.

"(d) Owners of passenger vehicles for hire, whether operated from a private establishment or from public space, other than those licensed in the two preceding subparagraphs, shall pay a license tax of \$25 per annum for each such vehicle used in the conduct of their business. Stands for such vehicles upon public space, adjacent to hotels or otherwise, may be established in the manner provided in section 6 (e) of the Act entitled 'An Act to amend the Acts approved March 3, 1925, and July 3, 1926, known as the District of Columbia The Public Utilities Commission is Traffic Acts, and so forth'. hereby authorized to make and enforce all such reasonable and usual police regulations as it may deem necessary for the proper conduct, control, and regulation of all vehicles described in this and the preceding subparagraphs and paragraph 33 hereof. Licenses issued under this subparagraph shall date from April 1 of each year, but may be issued on or after March 15 of such year: Provided, however, That all licenses issued for a period prior to April 1, 1940, shall expire on March 31, 1940, and the license fee therefor shall be prorated accordingly.

"Par. 33. Owners of vehicles for hire, used in hauling goods, wares, or merchandise, and operating from public space, shall pay a license tax of \$25 per annum for each vehicle. Stands for such vehicles upon public space may be established in the manner provided in section 6 (e) of the Act entitled 'An Act to amend the Acts approved March 3, 1925, and July 3, 1926, known as the District of Columbia Traffic Acts, and so forth'. Licenses issued under this subparagraph shall date from April 1 of each year, but may be issued on or after March 15 of such year: *Provided*, however, That all licenses issued for a period prior to April 1, 1940, shall expire on March 31, 1940, and the license fee therefor shall be prorated

accordingly."

"Sec. 4. That an Act entitled 'An Act to amend paragraphs 31 and 33 of an Act entitled "An Act to amend section 7 of an Act entitled

'An Act making appropriations to provide for the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, and for other purposes', approved July 1, 1902, and for other purposes', approved July 1, 1932' (Public, Numbered 24, Seventy-sixth Congress), approved April 5, 1939, is hereby repealed."

Ante, p. 570.

Approved, July 17, 1939.

[CHAPTER 314]

AN ACT

Authorizing Federal participation in the commemoration and observance of the four-hundredth anniversary of the explorations of Francisco Vasquez de

July 17, 1939 [S. 2197] [Public, No. 186]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby established a Commission, to be known as the United States Coronado Exposition Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission", to be composed of the Vice President, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Commerce; which Commission shall serve without additional compensation and shall represent the United States in connection with the holding of an exposition and celebration during the observance and commemoration of the four-hundredth anniversary of the exploration of the States of New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas by Francisco Vasquez de Coronado.

Four hundredth anniversary of the ex-plorations of Fran-cisco Vasquez de Coronado.

Commission established; composition, duties, etc.

Cooperation by Government agencies.

Sec. 2. The heads of the various executive departments and independent offices and establishments of the Government are authorized to cooperate with the Commission in the procurement, installation, and display of exhibits, and to lend to the Commission and to the Coronado Cuatro Centennial Commission, established by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New Mexico, for exhibition during the period of such observance and commemoration such articles, materials, documents, specimens, exhibits, or papers in the possession of the Government which the Commission shall deem to be in the interest of the United States and in keeping with the purposes of such commemoration and observance and which relate to the exploration of such States, or illustrate the function and administrative faculty of the Government in the advancement of industry, science, invention, agriculture, the arts, and peace, or demonstrate the nature of our institutions, particularly with regard to their adaptation to the needs of the people. Any such articles, materials, documents, specimens, exhibits, or papers so lent, shall be lent only under such conditions as will assure their return in good condition and without expense to the Government.

Conditions of loans.

Descriptive pamphlet to be prepared, printed, and distrib-

Advice and assistance authorized.

Personal services.

Sec. 3. The Commission is authorized and directed to prepare, print, bind, and distribute a pamphlet on the explorations of Francisco Vasquez de Coronado, and for such purpose is authorized to have printing, binding, photolithography, and other work done at establishments other than the Government Printing Office.

Sec. 4. The Commission is authorized to procure advice and assistance from any governmental agency and to procure advice and assistance from and cooperate with individuals and agencies, public or private. The Commission is authorized to accept and utilize voluntary and uncompensated services of any person and, without additional compensation, the services of such experts, consultants, research assistants, clerks, and stenographers as may be detailed by the heads of the various executive departments and establishments of the Government for the purpose of assisting the Commission to carry out the provisions of this Act.